Summer
Preview
Mega Morphs

Abiogenesis Press

Collecting issues #13-18, ***Strangehaven Volume Three: Conspiracies*** is the latest collection of this fascinating series by *Gary Spencer Milledge*. (Jul)

Active Images

Al Davison, the creator of ***The Spiral Cage***, is back with a new collection of stories inspired by dreams, ***The Alchemist's Easel***. The proclaimed King of Dreams himself, *Neil Gaiman*, provides the introduction. (Jul)

A new tale of anthropomorphic mystery awaits in the pages of ***Hip Flask: Mystery City***, which features more phenomenal art by *Jose Ladronn*.(Jul)

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The latest collection of *Mike Brennan's* series, ***Electric Girl Volume Three***, reprints issues number nine and ten, and also includes a very impressive almost one hundred pages of new material. (Aug)

Being an astronaut traveling to the moon is an exciting, adventurous job--most of the time. After all, someone has to be the garbage man on the space station. ***Full Moon Fever*** follows the exciting life of Zeke Kirby, waste disposal technician, as he travels to the moon to clean up a real mess. A mess that starts with an empty space station, and ends with a whole bunch of werewolves. (Aug)

The navy seals have tough jobs, but rarely this tough. ***Seal Team Seven*** pits the navy's finest against the best that Atlantis has to offer. And may the best team win. (Jul)

Alias Enterprises

Adapted from the story by *Tad Williams*, ***The Burning Man*** is a three-issue series from *Robin Gulisbe & Sean J. Jordan* with art by *Brett Booth*. (Jun-Aug)

From one of the most fabled stories of the Western world, ***David: The Shepherd's Song*** is a modern retelling of the origins of the king of legend. (Jul-Aug)

Mike S. Miller has a new ongoing series headed your way from Alias. ***The Devil's Keeper*** is a superpowered martial arts saga, where three potential heirs to an ancient mystic power must prove themselves worthy and overcome their own human frailties before they can claim it as their own. (Jun-Aug)

The Dreamland Chronicles is a limited series. Okay, it's a *twenty-four-issue* limited series, but it's still limited. Creator *Scott Sava* is using CGI artwork in each sixty-page issue to tell his tale of childhood friends in the world of dreams, gathered again to help each other in their time of need. (Jun-Aug)

Mike Bullock, the creator of ***Lions, Tigers, and Bears*** is back with the new ***Gimoles*** four-issue series. The Gimoles are a family of adventurers that fight the nefarious Ichabod Cornelius. (Jul-Aug)

Looking for something that you've lost? Maybe an imaginary friend or childhood ideal? Look for them in the pages of ***The Imaginaries*** trade-paperback, collecting the entire series. (Aug)

More fantasy adventure in the anime/manga style! ***Imperial Dragons*** is the new six-issue series about empires, secrets, and heroes waiting to be found. (Jul-Aug)

The celebrated all-ages fantasy series ***Lions, Tigers, and Bears*** is collected into one volume this summer. (Jul)

The entire *Mike S. Miller-Hector Sevilla* limited series is collected in the ***Lullaby: Wisdom Seeker*** trade paperback.. (Aug)

Now this is a fight! ***Monkey in a Wagon vs. Lemur on a Big Wheel*** isn't just a dream come true, it's the title of the new series by *Kenneth Lillie-Paetz & Chris Moreno* where the two powerhouses are fighting around the world for dangerous fuzzy-animal dominance. (Jul)

Animator *Tom Bancroft* is the latest to jump to the comic pages, and he's brought ***Opposite Forces*** with him. ***Opposite Forces*** is the story of two people who meet due to a freak elevator accident, and leads them to a wild adventure. (Jul-Aug)

Based on the CGI animation of the same name, ***Psi-Kix*** is a book that uses images from the show to illustrate a complete story in each issue. (Jul)

Why is it that the world samurai has come to mean so many different things? ***Sixgun Samurai*** is the new series about a gunslinger with unusual abilities fighting the good fight for the right reasons. (Jul-Aug)

Video game fans are sure to recognize the characters and title of the new book, ***XIII***. This ongoing series explores the mysterious background of man with no memories and amazing talents. (Jun-Aug)

Amaze Ink•Slave Labor

People give zombies a bad name. ***Dead Eyes Open*** reveals that sometimes when you come back from the dead you...haven't changed at all. (Jul)

She's not limited any more! ***Little Gloomy's Super Scary Monster Show*** is the new bi-monthly regular series that should please fans of the tiny terror—of sorts—from the regular creative team of *Landry Walker & Eric Jones*. (Aug)

He's the ultimate source for literary action! ***Rex Libris*** is the new series about the head librarian, who travels the galaxy is search of overdue books. (Aug)

Getting lost on the way to the monster of the year celebration is a great way to find adventure. ***Terebella Smoot and the Unsung Monsters*** has a precocious little monster meeting some fabulous companions and great new friends. (Jul)

Anarchy Studios Harris Comics

So, it turns out that Vampi has a sister. And what is a sibling, without a little sibling rivalry? Of course, when you are a super-powered vampire-like creature, then those rivalries can become a little dangerous. But at least you get to watch the whole thing unfold in ***Vampi Vicious: Gemini Effect***. (Jul-Aug)

Antarctic Press

Chisuji is the story of a world that has changed in a ***Rising-Stars***-esque manner. The change was brought about when an archeological site is bombed, and thousands of people either die or develop amazing powers. (Aug)

Rod Epinoza brings you ***Chronicles of the Universe: Desperado Brothers***, the story of a family ready to step up and defend the universe as needed. (Aug)

The super-healers for the super-heroes. ***Metadocs: The Super E.R.***, a one-shot from *Joeming Dunn, MD & Rod Espinosa, stars those* who come in after the battle to take care of the wounded. (Aug)

Ben Dunn's ***Mighty Tiny Pocket Manga*** collects the whole series into one compact volume. ($9.99)

The Science Fair contains a complete story in every issue, from the creative mind of *Jason Lex*. (Aug)

A.P.C.

Join Little Red as she fights the good fight to bring hope back to a barren world in the pages of ***Abiding Perdition***. (Aug)

Reality is just the dream of another mind. ***Midnight Kiss*** explores that possibility, with two individuals fighting to keep all realities safe and in line. (Aug)

Arcana Studios

It's kind of like *Johnny Depp* starring in ***Raiders of the Lost Ark***. The new four-issue limited series, ***Dead Men Tell No Tales***, deals with three of histories most vile pirates, Captain Kidd, Blackbeard, and Black Bart all competing to get the ultimate treasure: the Lost Relics of Christ. Add to that the simple fact a legion of zombies, and you have a rollicking adventure. (Aug)

El Arsenal is the story of mercenaries, demons, fighting, and sex appeal. What's not to love? (Jul-Aug)

Earth always seems to get stuck in the middle of interstellar conflict. Then again, if they didn't, these stories probably wouldn't happen. Stories like ***Shadowmagic***, where ancient warring people flee to Earth, where their magical war continues. (Aug)

Starkweather Volume One is named for the main character, a mage trying to keep a promise that he made when he was five years old. (Aug)

It's ***Sundown***, and you better take care, or you'll find that there are giant monsters growing underneath the city that you will have to face and deal with on difficult terms. It's also a three issue series with an old-west horror slant. (Jul-Aug)

Aspen MLT

It's another month, and that means another new first issue from *Michal Turner* and company! ***Soulfire: Dying of the Light*** will ship with two different covers, both by Turner. (Aug)

Avatar Press

Set in 1879 England, *Brian Pulido's* ***Gypsy*** is the writer's latest tale of wronged women with a dark, ominous edge. (Aug)

She's been medieval, she's been unholy, and now she's a Death Goddess. ***Lady Death: Death Goddess*** is a sneak-peek at the upcoming series and the new artists who will create it. (Jul)

And if you want to see the pale lady with some friends, you might want to look for ***Medieval Lady Death/Belladonna***, bringing the goddess and the celt together for the first time. (Jul)

Blue King Studios

It was only a matter of time. Set in modern Baghdad, ***The Black Heart Irregulars*** is a war/spy comic about freelance terrorists who cause fear to traditional terrorists. (Aug)

Bongo Comics

Simpson's Super Spectacular is the new series, shipping two issues a year, focusing on the costumed heroes and villains of Springfield. (Aug)

Boom! Studios

A secret agent in training and a beautiful british operative combine have to travel to the Antarctic to find something that could change the course of World War II. That's the idea behind *Matt Haley's* ***G.I. Spy***, a new three-issue series that combines several evergreen genres in one dramatic comic. (Jul)

A long-lost tale of strange humor and...well, it's just strange. ***The March Hare*** has returned at long last, with some of *Keith Giffen's* patented humor about a hit man whose best friend is an imaginary rabbit. (Aug)

More zombies, more brains! Moving from Atomeka to Boom!, ***Zombie Tales*** is an anthology of tales of the dead come back to life, from such creative minds as *Mark Waid, Keith Giffen, Ron Lim, Andrew Cosby*, and others. (Aug)

Broadsword Comics

Back for a second taste, ***School Bites Volume Two: Blood Drinking 101*** is another charming tale of young vampires at school by *Holly G!*, dealing with the same problems that every teen goes through—along with a few others. (Aug)

Buymetoys.com

It's been a few years, and the girls have grown, so is it really so odd that Dorothy and Alice are rooming together at college? Yes, *that* Dorothy and Alice. ***The Oz/Wonderland Chronicles*** begins with a preview this summer, as two of the heroes of childhood adventure have to come together to save the world. (Jul)

Cellar Door Publishing

It's not a good idea to play with guns. It's not a bad idea to write a bunch of stories about guns, though. As is evidenced by ***Shocking Gun Tales***, the new anthology of stories revolving around revolvers, or any other gun for that matter. (Aug)

Checker Book Publishing Group

Before he created a cat and a hat, *Ted Geisel* created some ads and all that. ***Theodor Seuss Geisel: Early Works Volume One*** shows us all how his career began. A legend to some, and a hero to most, Geisel went on to become a children's book superstar—and this book shows the stuff that he did before he found fame and fotune. (Aug)

Continuity

Continuing the series of books collecting sketchbook illustrations, ***Neal Adams' Rowdy and Beautiful Women*** presents fifty more pages of drawings for everything from comics to music videos. (Aug)

Crusade Entertainment

Demon Gun Collected edition reprints the whole story, now optioned for a feature film. (Aug)

Dakuwaka Productions

The first four issues of the series are collected in the pages of ***Helios Volume One***. (Aug)

Dark Horse

Aeon Flux is making the jump from MTV animation to the big screen in a live-action film starring *Charlize Theron*—but before she pays a visit to theaters, she's dropping in on some comic shops! *Mike Kennedy & Timothy Green II* do the honors on the ***Aeon Flux*** 4-issue limited series. (Aug)

Mike Mignola joins with *John Arcudi & Guy Davis* for ***BPRD: The Black Flame***, a 6-part limited series that begins with a plague of frogs... a plague that coincides with the return of a madman from the BPRD's secret history—a madman who has a scheme to take advantage of the frog men... (Aug)

Since fan-fave ***Conan*** artist *Cary Nord* is running a little bit behind, Dark Horse has enticed long-time friend and sometimes writing partner *Fabian Nicieza* to join *Kurt Busiek* for ***Conan #18***, a special standalone issue featuring two tales—one illustrated by *Bruce Timm*, and the other by comic book legend *John Severin*. (July)

Jack Pollock introduces readers to the culinary arts' diminutive demon in ***Devil Chef: The Man With the Soft-Serve Brain***. Dark Horse describes this offbeat series as "subversive fire-and-brimstone satire executed with cold cartoon precision to take readers to the seventh level of lowbrow laughs!" (Aug)

Paul Alden, Al Rio, Cliff Richards, & Fabiano Neves bring the upcoming game ***Dungeon Siege II*** to comics with the 88-page ***Dungeon Siege: The Battle for Aranna***. This graphic novel tells the story of two of Aranna's most influential legends, Zaramoth the Unmaker and Azunai. (Aug)

The creative collective known as Cosmic Debris bring the moody, brooding ***Emily the Strange*** to Dark Horse with the release of ***Emily The Strange #1: The Boring Issue***. (July)

Mike Mignola returns as writer and artist for ***Hellboy: The Island***, the long-awaited sequel to his 2001 series ***The Third Wish***. After more than two years at the bottom of the sea, Hellboy washes up on an island full of sunken ships where he is tempted by singing dead men and stupidly ignores good advice from an ancient enemy. (Jun)

Buronson & Kentaro Miura's dystopian saga ***Japan*** makes its English-language debut this summer; this is a complex, mature metaphorical tale, working on multiple levels, that stars Yuka Katsuragi, a beautiful TV news reporter who has attracted the affections of Yakuza thug Katsuji Yashima. (July)

Kazuo Koike, co-creator of ***Lone Wolf & Cub***, joins with artist *Kazuo Kamimura* for ***Lady Snowblood Volume 1***, the story of a daughter born and raised with the sole purpose of avenging the death of her family at the hands of a gang of thugs. (Aug)

Tony Millionaire is back with a pair of interconnected stories in ***Little and Large***, a forty-page original hardcover. (July)

Dark Horse's talent search pays off with ***New Recruits***, a 128-page collection of five stories chosen from hundreds of submissions received in response to Dark Horse's request for contributions from talented newcomers;.(Aug)

For the first time ever, *Michael Chabon* is writing every story in ***Michael Chabon Presents the Adventures of the Escapist...*** and they feature no Escapist at all! Instead, readers of the seventh issue will find a full-length story introducing the mysterious Mr. Machine Gun, a character torn straight from the pages of Chabon's ***The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay***. (July)

Chris Ware's Quimby the Mouse, originally presented in the pages of ***The Acme Novelty Library***, enters the third dimension courtesy of the ***Quimby the Mouse Wooden Toy & Book***. This wood, wire, cloth and rope approximation of F.C. Ware's creation is a lovingly designed collectible toy. Packaged in a colorful, hand-designed preprinted cardboard container, including a thirty-two-page hardcover book written and drawn by Ware. (July)

Paul Jenkins, Humberto Ramos, & Leonardo Olea take readers inside the Vatican in their sophisticated murder mystery ***Revelations***. A Scotland Yard detective finds himself bound for Rome, where he must find out what caused the death of a high-ranking Vatican official and a probable successor to the Pope. (Aug)

Ian Edginton & D'Israeli offer a sequel to the acclaimed graphic novel ***Scarlet Traces*** in the four-part ***Scarlet Traces: The Great Game***. After almost four decades of conflict, the British invasion of Mars has ground to a bloody stalemate in the dust of the red planet. Great Britain is suffering, with freedom and free speech brutally sacrificed to maintain order. However, this is nothing compared to what is happening on Mars... and the worst is yet to come! (July)

Firefly, the *Joss Whedon*-created television series, is soon to metamorphose into the feature film ***Serenity***—but before that film debuts, Dark Horse and Whedon will fill in the gap between television series and film with the three-issue ***Serenity*** limited series, produced by Whedon with *Brett Matthews, Will Conrad, & Laura Martin*. June)

Jeremy Love & Robert Love present spooky adventures for all ages in ***Shadow Rock***, an original eighty-page full-color graphic novel. (July)

Haden Blackman, Ryan Kafman, Justin Lambros, Rick Lacy, & the Fillbach Brothers present four more tales of Clone War animated-style action in the digest-sized ***Star Wars: Clone Wars Adventures Volume 4. (Aug)***

Dark Horse collected editions include:

- ***The American***, a comprehensive collection of the patriotic hero series by *Mark Verheiden, Chris Warner, Grant Miehm, Doug Braithwaite, Frank Miller, Mike Mignola, & Jim Lee (Aug);*
- ***BPRD: The Dead***, collecting the ***Hellboy*** spin-off limited series by *Mike Mignola, John Arcudi, & Guy Davis* (Aug);
- ***The Chronicles of Conan Volume Eight: The Tower of Blood and Other Stories***, reprinting *Roy Thomas & John Buscema's* ***Conan the Barbarian #s 52-60***, complete with state-of-the-art remastered color (July);
- ***Conan: The God in the Bowl & Other Stories***, collecting ***Conan #s 7 & 9-14*** by *Kurt Busiek, Cary Nord, & Thomas Yeates* (Aug);
- ***Concrete Volume One: The Depths***, a trade paperback collection of *Paul Chadwick's* early Concrete tales, supplemented to an autobiographical tale of Chadwick's cross-country hitchhiking trip (July);
- ***Concrete Volume 2: Heights***, a trade paperback compilation of ***Concrete #s 6-10***, ***The Concrete Color Special***, an assortment of shot stories, and a gallery of hard-to-find Concrete illustrations, all by *Paul Chadwick* (Aug);
- ***Doctor Solar, Man of the Atom Volume 3***, a hardcover collecting the Silver Age Gold Key ***Solar #s 15-22*** by *Paul Newman, Frank Bolle*, and others (Aug);
- ***Grendel: Red, White, & Black***, a two hundred page trade paperback collection of the anthology series featuring work by *Matt Wagner, Jill Thompson, Mike Avon Oeming, Darick Robertson, Andi Watson,m* and many others (July);
- ***Little Lulu: Lulu in the Doghouse TP***, collecting another 200+ pages of classic *John Stanley-Irving Tripp* all-ages short tales (July); and
- ***Star Wars: The Comics Companion***, a definitive guide to Dark Horse's ***Star Wars*** comics that offers a guide to all those various miniseries, oneshots, etc.(July);

DC

The biggest ongoing series launch of 2005 is almost here! July brings together two of comics' greatest talents, *Frank Miller & Jim Lee*, for the launch of ***All Star Batman & Robin, the Boy Wonder***. This is Batman and Robin like you've never seen them before—but it's sort of like you've always known them! This imaginative reinvention of these classic characters captures all the archetypal elements that have defined the Bat-mythos, presenting stories that seem both familiar and distinctive—and they're all instantly accessible to veteran readers and newcomers alike. (July)

Jim Lee fans will want to pick up a copy of ***Absolute Batman: Hush Oversized HC***, a slip-cased deluxe edition that collects the entire twelve-part saga by *Jeph Loeb, Jim Lee, & Scott Williams* in one 372-page book. (July)

Batman does not go gently into that good Knight—and that's part of the fun of ***Batman: Journey Into Knight #1***, the kickoff issue of a 12-parter by *Andrew Helfer & Tan Eng Huat* that explores the formative years of the Dark Knight. (Aug)

DC's exploration of the origins of Batman's adversaries continues in ***Year One: Batman/Ra's al-Ghul***, a two-part prestige format series by *Devin Grayson, Paul Gulacy, & Jimmy Palmiotti*. (Jun-Aug)

Want to know who the Dark Knight can count on? Then you should check out ***Batman Allies Secret Files 2005***, a forty-eight-page special that leads with a story exploring how Batman copes with the loss of his partners. Add to that a heaping helping of profiles of Batman's former allies by *Pete Woods, Phil Hester* and more! (Jun)

Bill Willingham, Justiniano, & Walden Wong's six-issue miniseries spinning from ***DC Countdown*** heats up in as the Shadowpact — made up of Ragman, Blue Devil, The Enchantress, Nightmaster, and yes, Detective Chimp — attempt to hunt down the Spectre! Then Black Alice from ***Birds of Prey*** joins DC's mystical heroes in *Bill Willingham, Justiniano, & Walden Wong's* ***Day of Vengeance*** as their war against the Spectre continues. (June Aug)

The search for a long-lost comrade brings the Teen Titans and the Outsiders face-to-face with a very different Donna Troy.... and she's not the Donna they remember! Is it too late to bring Donna back to the DCU? See what the Titans and the Outsiders discover in ***DC Special: The Return of Donna Troy*** by *Phil Jimenez, José Luis Garcia-López, & George Pérez*. (June-Aug)

The Bat-books take a break from their individual storylines for the four-part "War Crimes" that runs through ***Detective #s 809-810 & Batman #s 643-644***. This storyline reveals the truth about last year's "War Games" as one of Batman's former supporters turns on the Dark Knight, the Joker returns, the Black Mask confronts Batman once again, and a member of the Bat-family is removed from the picture... permanently! (Aug)

John Byrne is rejoined by his longtime ***X-Men*** inker *Terry Austin* for ***Doom Patrol #14***. (July)

Writer *Stuart Moore* joins artists *Jamal Igle & Rob Stull* beginning with ***Firestorm #14***. It's also a new beginning for Jason Rusch, who—inspired by his encounter with his predecessor—is determined to make the most of his life as both Jason and Firestorm. (Jun-Aug)

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Kano signs on as artist beginning with ***Gotham Central #32,*** joining *Greg Rucka & Ed Brubaker* for a tale that begins with the discovery of a body that appears to be... Robin? Could it be? That's what the detectives of Central need to determine... (Jun-Aug)

Green Arrow #52 kicks off the four-part "Heading into the Light," spinning out of the events of ***Identity Crisis***. In this story arc by *Judd Winick, Tom Fowler, & Rodney Ramos*, Green Arrow faces off against Dr. Light, who's suddenly become much more deadly. (July-Aug)

While struggling to realign his life on Earth, Hal Jordan makes a horrifying discovery in the farthest reaches of space — one that holds the key to the future of the Green Lantern Corps. That leads to a confrontation with a new Manhunter in ***Green Lantern #s 2 & 3*** by *Geoff Johns, Carlos Pacheco, & Jesus Merino*. Then ***Green Lantern: Rebirth*** artist *Ethan Van Sciver* signs on as guest-illustrator for ***Green Lantern #4,*** joining *Geoff Johns* for a story guest-starring Kilowog. (Jun-Aug)

The biggest comic book event of 2004 makes its collected edition debut in early September with the release of the long-awaited ***Identity Crisis HC,*** reprinting the history-making series by *Brad Meltzer, Rags Morales, & Michael Bair*. Bonus features include extended commentary by Meltzer and Morales, the rest of the creative team talking about their favorite moments, a look at Morales's sketchbook and more! (Aug)

The JLA must confront the fallout from ***Identity Crisis*** in a five-part tale by *Geoff Johns, Allan Heinberg, Chris Batista, & Mark Farmer* that kicks off in ***JLA #115***. Before they can discuss the actions and repercussions of the League within the League, the JLA first must battle some old foes. The Secret Society of Super Villains has returned — and somehow they have more information on the heroes' lives than ever before! (Jun-Aug)

Warren Ellis makes his JLA debut in ***JLA Classified #10,*** joining artist Butch Guice for the six-part "New Maps of Hell." In Metropolis, Lois Lane and Clark Kent investigate a rash of suicides at LexCorp, while Batman tracks an assassin with a deadly weapon in Gotham City. And on Themyscira, Wonder Woman is playing host to newly arrived academics, when a massive explosion hits,destroying the tranquility of Paradise Island. And as it turns out, these three seemingly unrelated events tie together in ways that must be seen to be believed! (July-Aug)

Joe Kelly, Doug Mahnke, & Norm Rapmund bring together two super-teams in ***JLA/CyberForce,*** a standalone special co-published with Top Cow. (July)

Then, spinning out of the events of JSA, *Geoff Johns, Amanda Conner, & Jimmy Palmiotti* launch ***JSA Classified.*** The first issue spotlights Power Girl, focusing on her origins. (July)

Jim Krueger, Alex Ross, & Doug Braithwaite comprise the all-star creative team for ***Justice,*** a 12-part bimonthly saga that offers a classic-yet-fresh look at the Justice League of America. Ross not only co-writes this series, he's also providing the painted art over Braithwaite's pencils. The first issue will be offered with two *Alex Ross* covers—one featuring the heroes, the other featuring the villains. (Aug)

Dick Grayson returns to Blüdhaven in ***Nightwing #110*** by *Devin Grayson, Phil Hester, & Ande Parks*. It's the first time he's returned since his life fell apart—and he's back to ensure the city's inner evil hasn't taken over. But now that Blüdhaven is Robin's stomping grounds, the Boy Wonder isn't sure he can trust anyone — including Nightwing! (July)

Once, she was the woman who broke Bruce Wayne's heart. Now, Checkmate agent Sasha Bordeaux might just break Batman's will by revealing the mind-blowing power behind the OMAC Project — unless an OMAC agent gets to Sasha and the Dark Knight first! Then Checkmate rallies against the terrifying power of Brother Eye as the satellite begins to execute an apocalyptic final protocol in ***The OMAC Project*** by *Greg Rucka & Jesus Saiz*. (Jun-Aug)

The battle of the planets escalates in *Dave Gibbons, Iran Reis, & Marc Campos'* ***Rann/Thanagar War.***. As the universe continues to feel the deadly effects of the war between worlds, the battle takes a decidedly personal turn that may turn hero against hero in a saga involving the Green Lanterns, the L.E.G.I.O.N. Hawkman and Hawkgirl, Adam Strange, and many other DCU SF heroes.(Jun-Aug)

Darwyn Cooke takes center stage in ***Solo #5,*** telling a series of enthralling stories in his unique style! (June)

Spanish comic book artist extraordinaire *Jordi Bernet* is spotlighted in ***Solo #6*** as he teams up with some of today's best writers, including *Brian Azzarello, John Arcudi, Joe Kelly, Andrew Helfer & Chuck Dixon*. (Aug)

Mikey Devante never really planned on becoming a super-hero sidekick... and he had even less ambition to do the job on his own! Witness Mikey's amazing transition in ***Son of Vulcan #1,*** *Scott Beatty & Keron Grant's* original take on the Charlton Silver Age superhero (June)

Supergirl is set to soar in August, with the very capable assistance of *Jeph Loeb, Ian Churchill, & Norm Rapmund*. In her first solo outing, she squares off against is Power Girl—and before this tale guest-starring the JSA is complete, secrets behind the origins of both will be revealed! Before ***Supergirl #1*** sees print in late August, though, DC will reissue ***Superman/Batman #19*** as ***Supergirl #0***. (Aug)

All three monthly ***Superman*** titles and ***Wonder Woman*** are linked in the four-part "Sacrifice" storyline running through all of these titles in July. This story arc pits the Man of Steel against some of his deadliest enemies, including Brainiac & Darkseid, in a major storyline that will ultimately bring the Man of Steel and the Amazing Amazon into conflict with one another... and an event that will send shock waves throughout the DCU! (July)

Gail Simone is joined by artist *Rob Liefeld* for a special two-part story that begins in ***Teen Titans #27*** as an old foe of Hawk and Dove returns to create chaos on a cosmic scale. (Aug)

DC's hottest new teams collide in an ***Teen Titans/Outsiders Secret Files 2005*** by *Geoff Johns, Greg Rucka, Phil Jimenez, Ian Churchill,* and others.(Aug)

Six extraordinary criminals stand against DC's heroes and the combined might of Earth's villains, united by the powerful and secretive Society, in *Gail Simone, Dale Eaglesham, & Wade von Grawbadger's* ***Villains United.*** The story takes a twist renegade Six—those villains who have refused to join the deadly alliance of super-villains—are given the unlikely mission of rescuing one of the DCU's most powerful heroes (Jun-Aug)

One of the most important comic book series in the past twenty-five years gets a well-deserved ***Absolute*** treatment when DC releases ***Watchmen: The Absolute Edition,*** a slip-cased oversized hardcover collection of the landmark series by *Alan Moore & Dave Gibbons*. Each page of art has been restored and recolored by WildStorm FX and original series colorist *John Higgins* and approved by Gibbons to appear as originally intended. Additionally, this upscale edition will include 48 pages of supplemental material produced exclusively for the Graphitti Designs ***Watchmen*** hardcover edition. (early-solicited for October release)

DC collected editions include:

- ***Adam Strange: Planet Heist,*** collecting the eight-issue series by *Andy Diggle & Pascal Ferry* that leads into ***The Rann/Thanagar War*** (Aug);
- ***Batman Archives Volume Six,*** a hardcover collection of classic Golden Age Bat-tales from ***Detective Comics #s 120-135*** (June);
- ***DC's Greatest Imaginary Stories,*** collecting some of the great imaginary stories from 1946 through 1967, including tales starring Superman, Supergirl, Batman, the Flash, and others (Aug);
- ***Batman: War Games Act Two,*** a 192-page collection of the middle act of last summer's three-month-long Bat-event (June);
- ***Batman/Superman/Wonder Woman: Trinity,*** a trade paperback edition of the *Matt Wagner* miniseries featuring the first meeting of DC's iconic trio—a meeting that pits them against the villainy of Ra's al Ghul (June);
- ***ElfQuest: The Grand Quest Volume Ten,*** collecting ***Elfquest: Kings of the Broken Wheel #s 1-4*** by *Wendy & Richard Pini* (Aug);
- ***ElfQuest: The Grand Quest Volume Nine,*** a digest-sized collection of the final installments of ***Siege at Blue Mountain*** by *Wendy & Richard Pini and Joe Staton (June);*
- ***The Flash: The Secret of Barry Allen,*** collecting ***Flash #s 207-211 & 213-217*** (July);
- ***JSA: Black Reign,*** collecting ***JSA #s 56-58*** and ***Hawkman #s 23-25*** by *Geoff Johns, Don Kramer, Keith Champagne, Rags Morales, & Michael Bair (June);*
- ***Justice League Elite Volume One,*** collecting ***Action Comics #775, JLA #100, JLA Secret Files 2004***'s lead story, and ***Justice League Elite #s 1-4*** (Aug);
- ***JSA: Lost,*** collecting ***JSA #s 59-67,*** which includes a thought-provoking ***Identity Crisis*** tie-in (Aug);
- ***New Teen Titans: Who Is Donna Troy?,*** collecting Donna-Troy-focused tales from ***New Teen Titans #s 38 & 50-55, Tales of the New Teen Titans #50, Titans/Outsiders Secret Files 2003,*** and more (June);
- ***Nightwing: Year One,*** collecting the six-part origin tale by *Chuck Dixon, Scott Beatty, Scott McDaniel, & Andy Owens* (July) ;
- ***Robin Archives Volume One,*** collecting the early Robin solo adventures from ***Star-Spangled Comics #s 65-85,*** originally published in 1947-48 (Aug);
- ***Sgt. Rock Archives Volume 3,*** collecting stories from ***Our Army at War #s 111-125*** by *Robert Kanigher, Joe Kubert, Russ Heath, & Jerry Grandenetti (July);*
- ***Space Ghost,*** collecting the six-part origin series by *Joe Kelly & Ariel Olivetti (July);*
- ***Superman: Godfall,*** a trade paperback version of the hardcover collection assembling *Michael Turner, Joe Kelly, Talent Caldwell, & Jason Gorder's* "back-to-Krypton?" story arc (June);
- ***Superman/Batman Volume Three: Absolute Power,*** a hardcover collection of the *Jeph Loeb-Carlos Pacheco-Jesus Merino* story arc that begins with Superman and Batman recast as authoritarian rulers of the Earth (June);
- ***Teen Titans Go! Volume Three: Bring It On,*** a bargain-priced digest collecting ***Teen Titans Go! #s 11-15*** (July); and
- ***World's Finest Archives Volume Three,*** collecting classic Silver Age Superman/Batman tales from ***World's Finest #s 102-116*** (Aug).

CMX•DC

Sanbe Kei's ***Testarotho*** makes its CMX debut this summer. In a dark future, rival warriors of warring sects persecute nonbelievers and die for their faith. But a disillusioned young novice and a deadly gun-toting priest may be about to change all that. (Aug)

Appleseed Movie Book Volume One offers a high-quality digital film grab adaptation of the newly released feature film. (June)

How far will one man go for love? Find out in *Higari You's* ***Seimaden Volume One,*** the tale of Lawless, who agreed to become a demon in order to free his one true love Alice from a demon king!(June)

From *Narushima Yuri,* the creator of hit manga ***Planet Ladder,*** comes ***Young Magician,*** a gothic tale of sorcery(Aug)

WildStorm•DC

Alan Moore, Leah Moore, John Reppion, Shane Oakley, George Freeman, and cover artist *Dave Gibbons* relaunch the the classic heroes of Britain's yesteryear in ***Albion #1.*** Rather than traditional superheroes, Britain had something much stranger: a collection of paragons, monsters, and clowns that vanished a quarter century ago, never to be seen again. Who were Robot Archie and the Steel Claw? Who was Captain Hurricane, or the Spider? And where have they been for twenty-five years? (Jun-Aug)

In ***Astro City: The Dark Age #1,*** *Kurt Busiek, Brent Anderson,* and cover artist *Alex Ross* begin the longest, most ambitious ***Astro City*** epic ever! In the wake of a global catastrophe during the early '70s, two brothers deal with family secrets and social upheaval, involving heroes from Jack-In-the-Box to the Blue Knight, newcomers like Apollo Eleven, and the unsettling events leading to the final fate of the Silver Agent. This series presents some of the ideas that Busiek had originally proposed for the never-published sequel to his and *Alex Ross's* ***Marvels,*** totally reworked to fit in with ***Astro City.*** (Jun-Aug)

Keith Giffen, Alan Grant, & Simon Bisley reunite for another bit of over-the-top absurdity in ***The Authority/Lobo: Spring Break Massacre.*** (Jun)

Ex Machina #12 kicks off "Fact Vs. Fiction," as *Brian K. Vaughan, Tony Harris, & Tom Feister* send Mayor Mitchell Hundred to court for jury duty—and believe us, the retired hero has no idea what horrors await him. (Jun-Aug)

Promethea Covers Book is a forty-eight-page comic collecting every cover by *J.H. Williams III & Mick Gray;* this book was previously available only with the limited ***Promethea #32 Variant Edition.*** (Aug)

Andy Diggle, Leinil Yu, & Gerry Alanguilan join forces for ***Silent Dragon #1,*** a story of love, betrayal, honor and war set in Tokyo, A.D. 2063. (Aug)

Science fiction writer *Paul DiFilippo* joins with artist *Jerry Ordway* to revisit the officers of Precinct 10 five years later in ***Top 10: Beyond the Farthest Precinct #1.*** Find out what's been going on in the lives of Toy Box, Kemlo Caesar, Smax, King Peacock, Joe Pi, and many others — plus meet several new and decidedly unique cops. (Aug)

J. Scott Campbell is back with an all-new project as ***WildSiderz #0*** makes its debut.Campbell, with *Andy Hartnell,* introduces a new breed of teen heroes when five friends create holographic forcefields which allow them to duplicate the powers of the animal kingdom. This special zero issue is followed by an oversized revealing the origins of the technology that transforms and empowers a group of five young friends with animalistic powers. (Jun-Aug)

What became of the U.S.S.R.'s super-soldiers after the Soviet Union collapsed? The answer may be found in ***The Winter Men*** an 8-issue miniseries written by *Brett Lewis & John Paul Leon* that combines the Russian Mafia with fallen super-heroes! (Aug)

WildStorm collected editions include:

•***The Authority: Human on the Inside,*** a softcover edition of the original graphic novel by *John Ridley & Ben Oliver* (Aug)

•***The Authority: Revolution Book One,*** collecting the first six issues of the series by *Ed Brubaker, Dustin Nguyen, & Richard Friend* (Aug);

•***The Maxx Book Five,*** collecting *Sam Kieth's* ***Maxx #s 28-36*** (Aug);

•***Promethea Book Five HC,*** collecting ***Promethea #s 26-32*** by *Alan Moore & J.H.Williams III (Aug);*

•***Terra Obscura Volume Two,*** collecting the limited series by *Alan Moore, Peter Hogan, Yanick Paquette, & Karl Story* (Aug);

•***Tom Strong Book Five,*** collecting ***Tom Strong #s 26-30*** (Aug); and.

•***Tom Strong's Terrific Tales Book One,*** a trade paperback compilation of ***Tom Strong's Terrific Tales #s 1-6*** (Aug).

Vertigo•DC

Jill Thompson does her manga thing in the Sandman Universe once again with ***The Dead Boy Detectives,*** an original manga digest guest-starring the Sandman's sister Death. Charles Rowland and Edwin Paine, the dead British teenagers who are always on the run from Death, travel stateside to solve a missing persons case. (July)

After three long years of teasing and misdirection, *Bill Willingham, Mark Buckingham, & Steve Leialoha* reveal the identity of the Adversary in the fourth chapter of the "Homelands" saga, which kicks off in ***Fables #40.*** (Aug)

The six-part "Morningstar" begins in ***Lucifer #63,*** courtesy of *Mike Carey, Peter Gross, & Ryan Kelly.* As Lucifer and Elaine re-enter the world, they must confront the offspring of the living tarot deck known as the Basanos, newly spawned from Jill Presto. (Jun-Aug)

It seems like a tale tailor-made for comics—and now it's been translated into that very medium! ***Neil Gaiman's Neverwhere,*** written by *Mike Carey* and illustrated by *Glenn Fabry,* is adapted from Gaiman's novel, and Gaiman himself acts as consultant for the project. ***Neverwhere*** takes readers beneath the modern city of London to London Below, a strange alternate world of swirling colors, casual magic and gothic danger, populated by misfit characters who have, quite literally, fallen through the cracks of the workaday world above. The tale begins as Richard Mayhew, a very decent but very ordinary man, stumbles across Door, an extraordinary young lady from a London that Richard never dreamed could exist. His single act of kindness toward her immediately costs him his fiancé, brings a pair of unthinkably ruthless assassins to his flat, and sends him on a quest that could quickly end with his own untimely demise. (Jun-Aug)

Series co-creator *Pia Guerra* rejoins *Brian K. Vaughan* for ***Y—The Last Man #36,*** a special stand-alone issue that finally reveals the whole story behind Yorick Brown's long-lost true love, Beth Deville. (Aug)

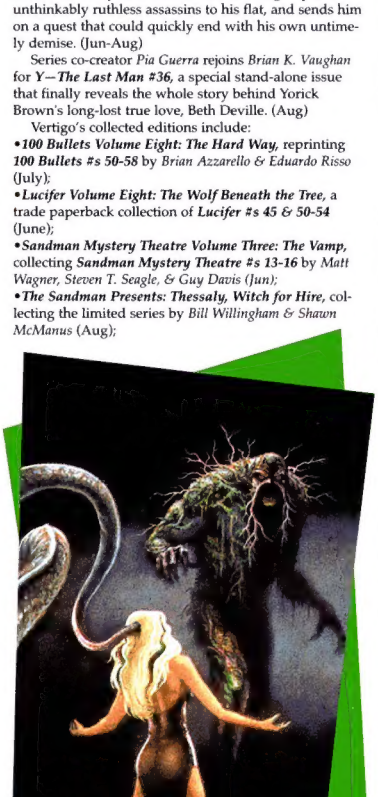
Vertigo's collected editions include:

•***100 Bullets Volume Eight: The Hard Way,*** reprinting ***100 Bullets #s 50-58*** by *Brian Azzarello & Eduardo Risso* (July);

•***Lucifer Volume Eight: The Wolf Beneath the Tree,*** a trade paperback collection of ***Lucifer #s 45 & 50-54*** (June);

•***Sandman Mystery Theatre Volume Three: The Vamp,*** collecting ***Sandman Mystery Theatre #s 13-16*** by *Matt Wagner, Steven T. Seagle, & Guy Davis (Jun);*

•***The Sandman Presents: Thessaly, Witch for Hire,*** collecting the limited series by *Bill Willingham & Shawn McManus* (Aug);



•***Swamp Thing Volume Two: Love in Vain,*** collecting *Joshua Dysart & Enrique Breccia's* disturbingly twisted love story from ***Swamp Thing #s 9-14*** (Aug);

•***V for Vendetta,*** a hardcover printing of the acclaimed dystopian-totalitarian sf adventure by *Alan Moore & David Lloyd* (Aug);

•***We3,*** collecting the animal-assassins-on-the-run storyline by *Grant Morrison & Frank Quitely* (Jun); and

•***Y—The Last Man Volume Five: Ring of Truth,*** collecting #s 24-31 of the series by *Brian K. Vaughan, Pia Guerra, & José Marzan, Jr. (July).*

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Those classic Marvel stories are reprinted in ***The Adventures of Red Sonja Volume One: She Devil With a Sword,*** which collects the heroine's first seven solo adventures by *Roy Thomas, Bruce Jones, Neal Adams, Estaban Maroto, Frank Thorne,* and others. (Jul)

Sometimes, it just doesn't pay to fight evil. ***Army of Darkness: Ash vs. Re-Animator*** brings two cult classics together for the first time in an ongoing series, as Ash faces off against *H.P. Lovecraft's* famed reanimator Herbert West and the insanity of the old ones. (Jul-Aug)

Originally published in Italy, ***Borderline*** finds its way to America for the first time this summer. Projected to be four volumes, this post apocalyptic tale comes from the talent of *Chris Truillo & Eduardo Risso.* (Aug)

The sultry siren of swordplay returns in her own ongoing series with the release of ***Red Sonja #1.*** *Michael Avon Oeming, Mike Carey,* and others combine their talents to bring you new tales of barbaric adventure. And don't miss the first Dynamite appearance of Thulsa Doom in ***Sonja #2!*** (Jun-Aug)

As if one book isn't enough, Sonja gets another special during the summer. ***Red Sonja: One More Day*** is by the creative team of *Jimmy Palmiotti, Justin Gray, & Liam Sharp,* as Sonja leads a rag-tag army against their oppressors. (Aug)

Dead Dog Comics and Entertainment

Sheriff "Bull" Bale has to track down his missing loved one, Sara Bale. He brings in his son, "Jax," and Jax's girlfriend to help him out. He is hoping that Sara has survived, but what he finds is something beyond his imagination. Will Bull survive the ***Curse of the Blood Clan?*** (Aug)

She's a cute smuggler with a heart of gold. Or at least, a heart that loves gold. ***The Intergalactic Adventures of Gara Galaxy*** is a fun romp through the universe, filled with pirates, treasure, and plenty of action. (Aug)

Devil's Due Publishing

The hit series by *Margaret Weis & Tracy Hickman* gets a full eight-issue treatment by *Andrew Dabb & Steve Kurth,* as ***The Dragonlance Chronicles*** come to you every month. (Aug)

R.A. Salvatore has become one of the most popular fantasy authors in the industry today. And the books that first launched him into the limelight was his acclaimed Dark Elf trilogy. Now, Devil's Due is bringing that trilogy to life. ***The Forgotten Realms: The Dark Elf Trilogy—Homeland*** adapts the first of Salvatore's novels into comic form by *Andrew Dabb & Tim Seeley.* (Jun-Aug)

Back with a new purpose, ***G.I. Joe*** returns! The creative team of *Joe Casey, Stefano Caselli, & Sunder Raj* updates the Joes, introducing new enemies, new allies, and all new adventure. (Jun-Aug)

G.I. Joe: Snake Eyes—Declassified offers a first-ever look in to the past of the most popular Joe.. You will finally find out who the man in the mask really is, and what drove him to become the man that he is today. (Aug)

Shades of Blue Volume Two is the new volume reprinting the quirky cult favorite. (Jul)

The same humdrum normal life awaits us all. We go to work, eat, sleep. Never doing anything extraordinary. The same is true of Michael Grey—or is it? ***Stronghold*** is the new three issue series by *Phil Hester & Tyler Walpole* about a man who starts seeing parts of his life that cannot be real. But they are... (Aug)

Digital Manga Publishing

A variety of creators lend their hand to the new anthology, ***Robot Volume One***. Everyone from *Range Murata* to *Yoshitoshi Abe* chime in with their take on artificial life forms and the stories they create. (Jul)

Digital Webbing

She is considered one of the hottest women in video games—and now she wants the comics. ***Bloodrayne: Dark Soul*** is the new comic that has the huntress dealing with enemies both external and internal. (Jul)

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30 Days of Night: Bloodsucker Tales One is the first collection of *Steve Niles'* anthology series continuing the vampirous story of Barrow, Alaska. (Aug)

Fans can rejoice with the release of ***Angel: The Curse***. This new series brings the vampire with a soul back to comics, with an all-new story by *Jeff Mariotte*. (Jun-Aug)

Back in the late eighties *Marc Hempel & Mark Wheatley* teamed up to create a unique series that pushed the envelope. Now, you can enjoy ***The Complete Mars***, collecting the entire comic into one volume for the first time. (Aug)

She's jumped around a bit, but always been able to deliver the goods. And now you can get her in one package. ***The Complete Wynonna Earp*** collects all of her western-esque science fiction stories to date, along with a few bonus pages of material. (Jul)

More ***CSI*** action, as a group of forensic scientists go out into the streets, do the job of the detective on the case, and chase down and apprehend criminals—just like in real life—in the pages of ***CSI: NY—Bloody Murder***. (Jul-Aug)

The vampire-covert-operatives series is collected in the pages of ***CVO: Rogue State*** this summer. (Jul)

The most recent series dealing with old west adventure is collected in ***Desperadoes: Banners of Gold***. (Aug)

Rob Zombie teams with artists *David Hartman, Mike Lopez,* and *Nick Stakal* to adapt his film ***The Devil's Rejects***. (Aug)

With the much-awaited movie—well, among zombie fans—on its way out, you can look for the adaptation to ***George Romero's Land of the Dead*** to arrive this summer. This five-part series to brings the film to comics courtesy of Chris Ryall and Gabriel Rodriguez. (Aug)

More cross-dimension action is reprinted in ***The Legend of Grimjack: Volume Three*** by *John Ostrander & Tim Truman*. (Jul)

Mary Spector works at a place called The Specter Sleep Clinic. There, they deal with all manner of sleep disorder, helping people rest who are having troubles. Of course, they usually bring dangerous troubles, which threaten Mary's life, which is why the book is called ***Night Mary***. It's like nightmare, get it? (Aug)

Back from the dead, and defying cancellation, ***Spike: Old Times*** returns with a new story by fan favorite Peter David. Taking a tale from the past of William the Vampire, Spike has to deal with a former young woman he humiliated who is now a vengeance demon. (Aug)

Along the way, Steve Niles did more than just ***30 Days of Night***, and ***Steve Niles's Cellar of Nastiness*** collects various one-shots into one volume. (Aug)

Kiddieland Books

Three children often get into trouble together, but these three children are special. ***Lil' Keiki*** tells how those three special kids use Halloween as an excuse to visit the spooky house on the hill, where their *real* adventure begins. (Aug)

Komikwerks LLC

Sixteen all-new comic stories from some of the industries best-known names—including *Keith Giffen, Dwayne McDuffie, Tom Mandrake,* and others—are presented in the pages of ***Thrills and Chills***. (Aug)

Image

Ant's on the crawl to Image this summer, with writer/artist *Mario Gully* kicking things off with a new first issue. The story focuses on Hannah Washington, who finds herself in a mental institution, where she's told that all her memories are false, the result of a "juvenile power fantasy." But what's the real truth? (Aug)

Artxilla Studios comes to Image with the ***Artxilla "Tasty Treats" 2005 Spotlight,*** a sixty-four-page full-color oneshot featuring material by *Ed McGuinness, Keron Grant, Sanford Greene, & LeSean Thomas. (July)*

The ***Avigon*** story is fully told in ***Avigon: Gods & Demons,*** a 192-page compilation by *Che Gilson & Jimmie Robinson*. This book includes the original ***Avigon*** novella, along with more than a hundred pages of never-before-seen material. (Jun)

G-Force rides again in ***Battle of the Planets: Endgame #1,*** the kickoff issue of a two-part story by *Munier Sharrieff & Wilson Tortosa*. (Jun)

Robert Kirkman's first published work returns under the Image "i" this summer as ***Battle Pope #1*** sees print in full color for the first time. (Jun-Aug)

Jim Valentino, Scott Wherle, John Toledo, & Marc Deering brighten up Image's summer schedule with ***Blacklight,*** a new Valentino-created series. Lina Juarez is stuck in a dead-end job and a dead-end relationship, living a dead-end life in a dead-end town. All she dreams of is an escape, some kind of excitement in her life. But when a dark and mysterious power possesses her, she quickly learns the true meaning of the old adage, "Be careful what you wish for." (Jun-Aug)

Matteo Cassali & Guiseppi Camuncoli present the surreal story of a mouthless man known as Adam Bone in ***Boneresf.*** Adam has come to New York to settle a mysterious debt, but unwittingly brings about the end of days. (July)

Flaming Carrot creator *Bob Burden* joins with writer/artist *Arthur Suydam* for ***Date With the Devil: Cholly & Flytrap Special.*** (July)

Dusty Star rides again, courtesy of *Joe Pruett & Andrew Robinson*. Starr is a different sort of gunslinger in a different sort of place—a world of burlesque shows and all-night poker games, robots and flying ships, tattooed horses and new wave cowboys and cowgirls with bad attitudes. (Aug)

Welcome to the machine. *Jason Armstrong* follows a cop on the trail of a killer who murdered his partner and framed him in ***Ferro City.*** (Aug)

By day, director; by night, agent in the war against Satan. Welcome to the world of ***The Faceless: A Terry Sharp Story,*** a graphic novel by *Robert Tinnell & Adrian Salmon*. Set in 1962, this saga pits a trendy horror director against evil forces that have extended their reach into the highest levels of government. (Aug)

Zoe Nixon is a cute, bored, lonely file clerk. She wants a new life and fate gives her that chance when she finds her true calling: hunting for bounties in the lawless dimension known as the O.D.! See her in action in ***Flak Riot #1*** by writer/artist *Michael O'Hare*, with an assist from *Robert Place Napton, & Michael Garcia. (Jun-Aug*

Hugh Sterbakov & Leonard Kirk reveal what happens when a group of college freshmen suddenly get amazing superpowers In ***Freshmen***. What if the powers were based on exactly what they were thinking at the moment? Find out in this series co-created by ***Austin Powers*** and Buffy star *Seth Green* and written by newcomer *Hugh Sterbakov*; ***Freshmen*** is an uproarious combination of superpowers and college…with a talking beaver! (Jul-Aug)

Joe Casey & Tom Scioli venture into the cosmic with ***Godland #1***. Adam Archer is Earth's star-powered champion. But what does his existence mean for the rest of humanity? And how long until the rest of the universe takes notice? (Aug)

Grounded offers a look at superheroes from the point of view of someone who is unlucky enough *not* to be one of them. . *Mark Sable & Paul Azaceta* reveal what it's like to be the normal outsider in this memorable six-part series. (July-Aug)

Doug Wagner, Chuck Dixon, Brian Stelfreeze, Jason Pearson, & Sanford Greene join forces for ***Guncandy,*** a two-part limited series starring Laci, the original pink-plaid assassin. As a special bonus, this comic includes exclusive twenty-two-page "flip book" installment of ***The Ride.*** (July)

At long last, *Jae Lee* is completing his occult drama ***Hellshock*** in the ***Hellshock: The Definitive Edition Trade Paperback.*** This collection reprints the first three issues of ***Hellshock Volume Two,*** adding the never-before-published final issue of the series, along with a never-before-seen twenty-two page prequel. (July)

Go behind the curtain of ***Hunter-Killer,*** the new hit series by *Mark Waid & Marc Silvestri*, with ***The Hunter-Killer Dossier.*** All the secrets behind ***Hunter-Killer's*** massive, sweeping conspiracy are revealed. (July)

If you enjoy surrealism in comics, then *Katiejane Garside & Dan Schaefer's* ***Indigo Vertigo*** is the book for you. It's a non-linear, experimental psychologically introspective tale presented in a boldly experimental manner. (Aug)

Want to bring yourself up to speed on *Robert Kirkman's* ***Invincible***—or perhaps you'd like to add a deluxe collection of the series to your library? Then ***Invincible: The Ultimate Collection Volume One*** is for you! This four hundred page hardcover features the first thirteen issues of the Eisner-nominated series, along with all the bonus materials from the first three trade paperbacks and more! (Jun)

What if magic was real? And what if the CIA were the only ones who knew about it? In ***M.I.T.H.: Operation Smoking Jaguar*** by *Jennifer Brandes Hepler, Chris Hepler, & Stephen Segovia*, Special-ops soldier Hamilton Crow and the M.I.T.H. squad pursue stolen nuclear weapons through the Mayan underworld in a desperate bid to stave off the Apocalypse! (July)

Joshua Ortega, author of the novel ***Frequencies,*** teams up with artists *Francis Manapul & Kevin Conrad* for ***The Necromancer,*** an ongoing series that is equal parts epic fantasy, raw horror, superhero action, and teen drama focusing on Abigail van Alstine, a stunning, smart 17-year-old high school student who has a knack for "The Way"—a natural talent for sorcery. (Aug)

Joe Pruett assembles an impressive talent roster for the 96-page ***Negative Burn Summer Special 2005.*** Contributors to the anthology include *Tom Biondiollio, Brian Bolland, Richard Case, Mark Chadbourn, Amanda Conner, Steven Grant, Cully Hamner, Dan Jurgens, Ron Marz, James Owen, Jimmy Palmiotti, Mike Raicht, Gary Reed, & Daniel Zezelj. (Aug)*

The Nobles meet their antithesis in ***Noble Causes #13*** as *Jay Faerber & Fran Bueno* introduce the Blackthornes, a criminal version of the Noble family. (Aug)

Robert Kirkman & Jason Howard do the honors on ***The Pact #4,*** the final issue of the limited series that unites Image's teen heroes Firebreather, Invincible, ShadowHawk, and Zephyr. (Aug)

The Round Table of America takes on the Golem and the Living Archetype in ***RTA: Personality Crisis,*** a Big Bang one-shot by *Pedro Angosto, Gary Carlson, Carlos Rodriguez, and Albert Puig. (Aug)*

Jessica Suddreth was a normal high school freshman until she was magically transported to Asamondo, the fairytale world. Once there she trains to be a Spell Sword, a mystical warrior, to lead the peasants of Asamondo against the tyrannical King Elian. The good news is she's the best Spell Sword ever. The bad news is that she still has the emotions and insecurities of a fourteen-year-old girl. Will she be a savior or a destroyer? Find out in ***Season of the Witch,*** a new series by *Jai Nitz, Kevin Sharpe, & Thomson Knox. (Aug)*

Fred Van Lente & Steve Ellis present a gritty crime drama set in a superhero universe in ***The Silencers,*** which moves from Moonstone to Image this summer. (Jul-Aug)

Ten years after the Rapture, the Earth is unprotected by God, and the demonic citizens of hell have flooded our world, enslaving the remaining human population. After saving the life of a runt demon named Bloato, bartender, occultist, and adventurer Bethany Black discovers that God is soon returning to wipe the Earth clean of everything unholy. With the end of the world coming, Bethany and Bloato set out to find the last doorway left into heaven and plead for admission. See if they make it in *Rick Remender & Eric Nguyen's* ***Strange Girl #1.*** (Jun)

The Tenth's origin is revealed in ***The Tenth: Darkk Dawn*** by *James Bonny, Tony Daniel, Tyler Kirkham, & Matt Banning*. (Jun)

After five years of preparation, *Dan Jurgens & Joe Jusko* have at last completed their ***Tomb Raider: The Greatest Treasure of All,*** and the folks at Top Cow assure us that it's worth the wait! (Jun)

Todd Nauck revisits his superheroes-meet-reality-TV world in ***WildGuard: Fool's Gold,*** a two-part biweekly limited series. Superstar and WildGuard team leader, Four, takes her team to fashion charity show to lend their star power to a worthy cause: keeping super powered youth on the straight and narrow. (Jul)

Michael Avon Oeming & Greg Titu update an African folk tale in ***Wings of Anansi,*** a blend of urban crime noir, fairy tales, and mythology as it chronicles a woman who never lost her inner strength, no matter what life tossed her way. (Aug)

Image collected editions include:

•***Age of Bronze Volume Two: Sacrifice,*** a trade paperback compilation of *Eric Shanower's* ***Age of Bronze #s 10-19*** (Jun);

•***The Amazing Joy Buzzards,*** collecting the limited series by *Mark Smith & Dan Hipp* (Jun);

•***Arcanum,*** collecting the eight-issue series by *Brandon Peterson,* along with the special ***Wizard 1/2*** issue (Jul);

•***Coyote Volume One,*** a trade paperback collection of the rare sixty-page origin story by the ***Batman: Dark Detective*** team of *Steve Englehart, Marshall Rogers, & Tom Palmer (Aug);*

•***The Darkness: Flesh & Blood Volume Three,*** collecting ***The Darkness #s 26-39*** as well as ***Witchblade/Darkness*** and ***Darkness/Witchblade*** (Jul);

•***The Expatriate Volume One: Bring Me the Head of Jack Dexter,*** collecting the first five issues of the series by *B. Clay Moore & Jason LaTour (Aug);*

•***Hammer of the Gods Volume Two: Back from the Dead,*** collecting *Mark Olive Wheatley & Michael Avon Oeming's* ***Hammer Hits China,*** along with several all-new stories (Jul);

•***Liberty Meadows Book Four: Cold, Cold Heart,*** a hardcover collection of *Frank Cho's* ***Liberty Meadows #s 28-36,*** which in turns collected the acclaimed comic strip (Aug);

•***Mage Volume Two: the Hero Defined,*** a 432-page hardcover that collects the entire fifteen-issue ***Mage: The Hero Defined*** limited series in a single volume for the first time ever (Jul);

•***The Nameless: The Director's Cut,*** a 128-page compilation of the five-issue series by *Joe Pruett, Phil Hester, & Bruce McCorkindale* with new pages and scenes cut from the original version (Jun);

•***Noble Causes Volume Four: Blood & Water,*** a trade paperback collection of the first six issues of the ongoing series by *Jay Faerber & Fran Bueno* (Jul);

•***The Ride Volume One,*** collecting five stories centered around a 1968 Camaro and the lives that it alters (Jun);

•***Savage Dragon Volume Eleven: Resurrection,*** collecting *Erik Larsen's* ***Savage Dragon #s 53-58*** (Aug);

•***Sea of Red Volume One: No Grave but the Sea,*** a trade paperback compilation of the first four issues of the pirate-vampire series by *Rick Remender, Kieron Dwyer, & Salgood Sam* (Jul); and

•***Wanted,*** a trade paperback version of the inside look at super-villainy by *Mark Millar & J. G. Jones (Aug).*

Marvel

The mysteries of the Sentry are revealed in the second ***New Avengers*** story arc. Writer *Brian Bendis* is joined by fill-in artist *Steve McNiven,* while *Sal Buscema* illustrates a special Silver-Age-retro sequence as the Avengers try to help the most powerful super hero in the world figure out who he is and where he came from! But will this knowledge destroy the man they are trying to help? (Jun-Aug)

After a year's delay, *Joe Quesada* returns to ***Daredevil: Father,*** the miniseries he's both writing and illustrating. For those who may have forgotten what's going on in all that time, Marvel will lead off with ***Daredevil: Father #1 Director's Cut,*** which adds Quesada's script, pencil art, and more.Then the series continues with the long-awaited second issue, which introduces a new vigilante group into the Marvelverse. (Aug)

Karl Zinsmeister & Dan Jurgens offer an insider's view of the 82nd Airborne's role in the War for Iraq in ***Combat Zone: True Tales of GI's in Iraq,*** an original graphic novel based on Zinsmeister's experiences as an embedded journalist during the opening days of the invasion. (July)

Stray Bullets creator *David Lapham* pits the Man Without Fear against the most feared man in the underworld in ***Daredevil Vs. Punisher,*** a six-issue limited series. Daredevil and the Punisher vie for the soul of Hell's Kitchen. (Jul-Aug)

Keith Giffen, J.M.DeMatteis, & Kevin Maguire—masterminds of ***Justice League America, Formerly Known as the Justice League,*** and the "I Can't Believe It's Not the Justice League" arc in ***JLA Classified***—bring their distinctive adventure-lunacy to Marvel for the five-part ***Defenders*** series. (Jul-Aug)

J. Michael Straczynski joins with artist *Mike Deodato* to kick off his new creator-owned series ***Dream Police*** this summer. In the very near future, Detectives Joe Thursday and Frank Stafford patrol the surreal landscape of Los Angeles. But theirs is not just any beat. Their beat is the dreamscape -- a neo-noire landscape populated by trolls, dinosaurs, and things that go bump in the night... (Jun)

Giant-Sized Spider-Woman #1 features an assortment of classic ***Spider-Woman*** tales, including her origin appearance, as well as an original eight-pager by *Brian Bendis & Rick Mays.* (Jul)

Chris Claremont & Paul Smith contribute a new 8-pager to ***Giant Size X-Men #4,*** which also reprints tales from ***X-Men #s 94-95*** and ***Uncanny X-Men #193,*** among others. (Aug)

Sean McKeever & Mike Norton introduce a new hero in ***Gravity,*** a heavyweight human interest superhero drama that introduces freshman Greg Willis, NYC newbie from the rural Midwest hoping to realize his dream of becoming a big-city super hero. (Jun-Aug)

Marvel's big summer event makes its debut in June as *Brian Bendis & Olivier Coipel* kick off ***House of M.*** The Avengers and the X-Men are faced with a common foe that becomes their greatest threat: Wanda Maximoff! The Scarlet Witch is out of control, and the fate of the entire world is in her hands. Will Magneto help his daughter or use her powers to his own benefit? This landmark biweekly eight-part series, growing out of the events of ***Avengers #s 500-503,*** unites the Astonishing X-Men and the New Avengers in a story that no fan of either superteam will want to miss. Growing out of ***House of M*** will be several summer miniseries, beginning with ***Spider-Man: House of M*** by *Mark Waid, Tom Peyer, & Salvador Larroca.* Meet Spider-Man--hero to the people, champion of the weak and oppressed... and World Wrestling Alliance Championship Titleholder? Peter Parker has it all—respect, fame, and the adoration of all. But he also has a deep, destructive secret that he keeps from the world and from his family... one that could well unravel the reality he knows! (Jun-Aug)

Peter David & Jim Muniz reveal the definitive origin of the Abomination in ***Hulk: Destruction.*** (Jul-Aug)

David Mack continues ***Kabuki: Reflections*** with ***Book Five,*** which also happens to be the first ***Reflections*** under the Icon imprint. (Aug)

Tom DeFalco unites two generations of heroes in ***Last Hero Standing,*** a five-issue limited series illustrated by *Pat Olliffe.* The great heroes of the Marvel Universe are vanishing without a trace! What has happened to Spider-Man, the Thing, the Scarlet Witch, Captain America, and the rest of the MU's heavy hitters? Spider-Girl, the Fantastic Five, and A-Next must join forces with today's superstars to uncover the answer—and the trail leads to a major Avengers villain! (Jun)

Marvel turns to the past again with ***Marvel 1602: New World,*** a six-part limited series by *Greg Pak & Greg Tocchini* based on concepts created by *Neil Gaiman.* When Captain America was thrust back in time, it changed reality as we know it. Now you'll have a chance to witness David Bruce Banner and Peter Parquagh become The Hulk and Spider-Man before their time! (Aug)

Some dangers are too big for even the Marvel Super Heroes--and that's when they activate Tony Stark's newest inventions: the ***Mega Morphs!*** *Sean McKeever & Lou Kang* introduce these super-powerful high-tech transforming robots. (Aug)

The New Warriors return in a six-issue limited series by *Zeb Wells & Scottie Young.* When Night Thrasher strikes a mysterious deal with a Reality-TV producer, the team moves out of New York to help the villain-plagued denizens of small-town America. But will their filmed exploits be uplifting, or just exploitative? (Jun-Aug)

Another long-delayed Joe Quesada project is back in August as ***NYX*** wraps up with the release of #7. Kiden, X-23 and crew take on Zebra Daddy and his gang in a knock down, drag-'em-out showdown these kids have ever seen. (Aug)

The New Avengers, the Young Avengers, the Great Lakes Avengers, and the original Avengers are spotlighted in ***The Official Handbook of the Marvel Universe: Avengers 2005.*** (Jul)

Marvel offers its first Ultimate Handbook with the ***Official Handbook of the Ultimate Marvel Universe: Spider-Man & the Fantastic Four 2005.*** (Aug)

The Official Handbook of the Marvel Universe: Fantastic Four 2005 offers a detailed look at the Marvel Universe's First Family. (Jun)

The back alleys of Cairo's thieves quarter are no place for a child to grow up -- unless that child is destined to be one of the greatest Marvel heroines of all time! Get ready for Egyptian action and adventure as Ororo leads her fellow street urchins on the adventure of a lifetime in ***Ororo: Before the Storm #1*** by *Marc Sumerak & Carlos Barberi. (Jun)*

It's ***Ultimate Annual*** time as Marvel unveils a new summertime tradition! In ***Ultimate Fantastic Four Annual #1,*** *Mark Millar & Jae Lee* introduce the Ultimate Inhumans in a story with close ties to the "Tomb of Namor" storyline coming up in ***Ultimate Fantastic Four.*** Meanwhile, ***Ultimate X-Men Annual #1*** features the return of Ultimate Juggernaut in a tale by *Brian K. Vaughan & tom Raney*—a tale that Marvel promises will change the Ultimate X-Men status quo forever. Then, in ***Ultimate Spider-Man Annual #1,*** *Brian Bendis & Mark Brooks* introduce a new girlfriend for Peter Parker... and wait 'til you see who it is! Finally, ***Ultimates Annual #1*** introduces S.H.I.E.L.D.'s next generation superteam in a story by *Mark Millar & Steve Dillon. (Aug)*

Mark Millar & Greg Land kick off the three-part "Crossover" in ***Ultimate Fantastic Four #21.*** So what crossover are they talking about? Well, it's a crossover that will bring the Ultimate FF face-to-face with another Fantastic Four in a parallel dimension that's going to seem *very* familiar to Marvel Universe fans. (Jul-Aug)

Brian Bendis & Mark Bagley kick off the six-part "Warriors" in ***Ultimate Spider-Man #79*** as the gang war to end all gang wars begins. This story arc also features the Ultimate debut of several Marvel characters, including Moon Knight, Shang-Chi, Master of Kung Fu, and Iron Fist. (Jul-Aug)

Weapon X is back in ***Weapon X: Days of Future Now,*** a five-part limited series by *Frank Tieri & Bart Sears.* (Jul-Aug)

The long-delayed humor issue of ***What If?*** sees print this summer as ***Wha... Huh?*** makes a belated appearance. *Brian Bendis, Mark Millar, J. Michael Straczynski, Garth Ennis, Brian K. Vaughan, Peter David, & Jim Mahfood* contribute to the zaniness—including "What if ***Identity Crisis*** had happened in the Marvel Universe?" (Aug)

Kitty Pryde and her firebreathing friend Lockheed venture to Japan in ***X-Men: Kitty Pryde—Shadow & Flame,*** a six-issue limited series by *Akira Yoshida & Paul Smith.*A deadly mystery draws the two to the shores of Japan. Ninjas and dragons will be the least of their worries! (Jun-Aug)

Allan Heinberg & Jim Cheung bring the six-part "Sidekicks" story arc to a close in ***Young Avengers #6...*** and what a close it is! The Young Avengers lose one of their founding members, a new member arrives on the scene, and the entire team undergoes a radical transformation. (Jul)

Marvel's collected editions include:

•***Astonishing X-Men Volume Two: Dangerous,*** reprinting the second *Joss Whedon-John Cassaday* story arc from ***Astonishing X-Men #s 7-12*** (Aug);

•***Avengers West Coast: Vision Quest,*** collecting the first big Scarlet-Witch-goes-crazy-bad story arc from ***Avengers West Coast #s 42-50 (July);***

•***New Avengers Volume One: Breakout,*** collecting *Brian Bendis & David Finch's* ***New Avengers #s 1-6*** (Jul);

•***Best of Spider-Man Volume Four HC,*** collecting ***Amazing Spider-Man #s 501-514,*** along with bonus features (Jun);

•***New Captain America Volume One: Out of Time***, reprinting the first seven issues by *Ed Brubaker & Steve Epting (Jul);*

•***Captain America by Jack Kirby: Bicentennial Battles***, collecting ***Cap #s 201-205*** and ***Marvel Treasury Special Featuring Captain America's Bicentennial Battles*** (Jun);

•***Daredevil Volume Four***, a hardcover collection of ***Daredevil #s 56-65*** by *Brian Bendis & Alex Maleev (Aug);*

•***Earth X HC***, a whopping 528-page collection of the future-Marvel series by *Alex ross, Jim Krueger, & John Paul Leon* (Aug);

•***Essential Daredevil Volume Three***, a black and white compendium that contains ***Daredevil #s 49-74*** and ***Iron Man #s 35-36*** (Aug);

•***Essential Fantastic Four Volume Four***, collecting ***FF #s 64-83 & Annuals 5 & 6*** (Jun);

•***Esssential Killraven Volume One***, a bargain-priced black and white collection that includes ***Amazing Adventures #s 18-39, Marvel Team-Up #45, Marvel Graphic Novel #7,*** and ***Killraven #1 (Jul);***

•***Essential X-Men Volume Six***, a whopping black-and-white anthology that includes ***Uncanny X-Men #s 199-213, New Mutants Special Edition #1, X-Men Annual #9, X-Factor #s 9-11, New Mutants #46, Thor #s 373-374,*** and ***Power Pack #27*** (Aug);

•***Fantastic Four Visionaries: George Perez Volume One***, reprinting ***FF #s 164-167, 170, 176-178, & 184-186*** (Jun);

•***Fantastic Four Omnibus Volume One***, a whopping 848-page hardcover reprinting the unforgettable *Stan Lee-Jack Kirby* ***Fantastic Four #s 1-30 & FF Annual #1***, along with the original letters pages and pinups, critical commentaries, historical overviews, and other DVD-style extras (Jul);

•***House of M: Excalibur—Prelude***, collecting ***Excalibur #s 11-14*** (Jul);

•***Marvel 1602***, a trade paperback edition of the series by *Neil Gaiman & Andy Kubert (Jun);*

•***Marvel Comics Presents: Wolverine Classic Volume One***, collecting the island-adventurer Wolverine tales from ***Marvel Comics Presents #s 1-10*** (Jun);

•***Marvel Masterworks: Captain America Volume Two***, reprinting the Cap segments of ***Tales of Suspense #s 82-99*** along with ***Captain America #100*** (Jun);

•***Marvel Masterworks: Doctor Strange Volume Two***, collecting the Strange tales from ***Strange Tales #s 142-168 (Aug);***

•***Marvel Masterworks: Golden Age Sub-Mariner Volume One***, collecting classic Golden Age Sub-Mariner tales by *Bill Everett* (Jun);

•***Marvel Masterworks: X-Men Volume Five***, reprinting ***X-Men #s 43-53, Avengers #53,*** and selections from ***Ka-Zar #s 2 & 3*** and ***Marvel Tales #30*** (Jul);

•***Marvel Visionaries: Chris Claremont***, a 376-page collection of stories from ***Daredevil #102*** to ***X-Men Unlimited #36*** (Aug);

•***Marvel Visionaries: John Romita Sr.***, a hardcover featuring stories from a career that has spanned five decades (Jul);

•***Stormbreaker: The Saga of Beta Ray Bill***, collecting the six-parter by *Michael Avon Oeming & Daniel Berman* (Aug);;

•***Runaways Volume One***, a 448-page collection of all eighteen issues of *Brian K. Vaughan & Adrian Alphona's* original ***Runaways*** series (Aug);

•***Strange: Beginnings & Endings***, collecting the six-part Doctor Strange origin story by *J. Michael Straczynski, Sara Barnes, & Brandon Peterson* (Aug);

•***Ultimate Fantastic Four Volume One***, a hardcover compilation of the first twelve issues of ***Ultimate FF*** (Jun);

•***Ultimate Fantastic Four Volume Three: N-Zone***, collecting ***Ultimate FF #s 13-18*** (Jun);

•***Ultimate Spider-Man Volume Thirteen: Hobgoblin***, collecting ***Ultimate Spider-Man #s 72-78*** (Jul);

•***Ultimate X-Men Volume Eleven: The Most Dangerous Game***, collecting ***Ultimate X-Men #s 54-57*** (Jul);

•***Ultimates 2 Volume One: Gods & Monsters***, collecting the first six issues of the *Mark Millar-Bryan Hitch* series (Aug);

•***Uncanny X-Men—The New Age Volume 3: On Ice***, collecting ***Uncanny X-Men #s 455-461*** (Aug);

•***X-Men: The New Age of Apocalypse***, collecting ***X-Men: Age of Apocalypse #s 1-6*** and the ***X-Men: Age of Apocalypse*** one-shot (Jul);

•***X-Men/Fantastic Four***, a hardcover collection of the *Akira Yoshida-Pat Lee* limited series (Jun);

•***X-Men: Phoenix—Endsong***, a hardcover edition of the *Greg Pak-Greg Land* miniseries (Jun).

Moonstone

Belle Starr is the most notorious bandit queen in history, and it is time that her story was told. So she brings in a biographer to share her exploits and—witness her murder? Join in the mystery and the adventure in the pages of ***Belle Starr: Queen of Bandits***. (Aug)

Tom DeFalco & Don Hudson team to bring you the adventures of another barbarian and his first foe. ***Khan*** is the new book that introduces Temujin—aka Genghis Khan—and pits him against one of the most feared armies in history. (Jul)

If you haven't heard the news, Kolchak is making his way back to television this fall. But if you don't want to wait that long for more reporter-of-the-weird tales, you can see the classic Kolchak in action in ***Kolchak: Black, White, and Red*** by *Peter David & Kirk Jarvinen*. (Aug)

Revisionary deals with Randall Gordon, who has two unique qualities. First, he has no conscience. Second, he can see tragedies before they happen. And he has to try to prevent the tragedy, or they haunt him for the rest of his life. (Jul-Aug)

The four-part limited series that introduced the Silencers is collected in ***The Silencers: Black Kiss*** this summer. (Jul)

MV Creations

Rob Zombie: Spook Show International trade paperback not only reprints the series, but also includes forty-eight pages of new story. (Jul)

New England Comics

Spoon! Yes, that familiar battle cry can mean only one thing: The Tick is back! ***The Tick: Days of Drama*** is the new series that takes the big blue guy and Arthur back to The City, only to find themselves the only heroes left. (Jul)

Nite Owl Comix

Max Hamm: Fairy Tale Detective Volume One offers more than two hundred pages of hard boiled pig drama, including fourteen pages of bonus material. (Jul)

Oni Press

The Dare-ing adventures continue in the pages of ***Allison Dare: Little Miss Adventure Volume Two***. (Aug)

Monkeys are funny. ***Banana Sundays*** has a lot of monkeys. And not just monkeys, but apes, too. And they go to school. With humans. It's a little odd, but if you like monkeys—or apes—you will want to check out ***Banana Sundays***. (Jul-Aug)

Truman Capote made a name for himself with ***In Cold Blood***. Now, *Ande Parks & Chris Samnee* are looking to make a story of that time in ***Capote in Kansas***, a fictionalized telling of the author's time in the midwest. (Jul)

Courtney Crumrin Tales is a series of numbered one-shots focusing on *Ted Naifeh's* supporting cast. The first issue looks at Uncle Aloysius and how he became the warlock that he is today. (Jul)

Apparently, the ability to see horrible things runs in some families. And when you are the only one left in the family that can see those things, it might be time to take action. Join Jesse in the pages of ***Lola***, as he comes to terms with his vision. (Aug)

Pantheon Books

You've heard the story of the cat that swallowed the canary, right? Oh, you haven't? You just know the phrase? Well, then pick up ***The Rabbi's Cat*** for the full tale—or at least a tale that involves a cat swallowing a bird, and the unusual consequences. (Aug)

Red Eagle Publishing

Robert Jordan's New Spring is the prequel to the acclaimed Wheel of Time saga. For the first time, one of Jordan's stories is being brought to comics form. And there was much rejoicing throughout the land!... (Jul-Aug)

Sirius Entertainment

Back with a new ongoing series, ***Poison Elves: Dominion*** looks at one of Lusiphur's old friends, Jace, and the trials and adventures that await him and his friends. (Aug)

Speakeasy Comics

Jaime Delano teams with a wealth of artists in the ***2020 Visions*** trade paperback, collecting the series for the first time. (Aug)

Done as an homage to the blaxploitation genre, ***Chocolate Thunder*** is the story of a man fighting for what's right on the street. Funny and action packed, it is a complete book in one volume. (Jul)

Designed as a series of stand-alone books that can be read in any order, ***The Gatesville Company*** is about a ghost town. Literally. It is the place where ghosts go on their way to their final resting place. (Jul)

You are only on top until someone passes you. And it happens with everyone and everything, including superheros. But sometimes a young man with idealistic views can make a difference, which sounds like the premise for the new series, ***Hero@Large*** by *Erick Hogan & David Murdoch*. (Aug)

His super power is to be anything that he wants to be, and fortunately, he wants to be a hero. ***Mutation*** is the comic, and Trent Tyson is the hero. Or so he believes. (Aug)

Writer *Charles Satterlee* teams with artist *Norm Breyfogle* for the new series ***Of Bitter Souls***. Set in New Orleans, this series deals with four individuals who are given special abilities to fight ghosts, vampires, demons and the sort. Whether they like the idea or not. (Aug)

When you die, your soul moves on and your body is no more—unless your name is Peter Orbach. In his case, as is detailed in the book ***Parting Ways***, his body is alive and doing quite well without his soul. Now he just wants to know how? And why? (Jul)

Rocketo is the story of Rocketo Garrison, famed explorer and mapper, who guides people through the harsh lands of a future Earth where magnetic fields have gone wild. (Aug)

Titan Publishing

Collecting issues #6-13 of the Marvel run, the ***Battlestar Galactica Volume Two: Memory Machine*** brings back comic book tales inspired by the 1970's science-fiction series. (Aug)

Star Trek Comics Classics Volume One: To Boldly Go reprints the first six issues of the DC ***Star Trek*** series from the eighties. (Aug)

Tokyopop

Bizenghast isn't just the name of the book, it's the name of the town filled with lost souls. And a young girl has to deal with them and put them to rest before they drive her insane. (Jul)

More robots, more war, more Gundam. ***Mobile Suit Gundam Ecole du Diel Volume One*** is the latest volume, set in the original Gundam universe. (Aug)

Most people think that something unnatural causes zombies. Nope. It's hornets. Well, that's the case in the new ***War on Flesh*** manga, where five individuals have to team to save the world from—hornet zombies! (Aug)

Top Shelf Productions

The King is about the king of impersonators of The King. He's so good that some people think that this Vegas act might be a transplant from Memphis, and one journalist is ready to get to the truth behind the matter in this graphic novel by *Rich Koslowski*. (Jul)

Despite the title, ***Spiral Bound*** is actually perfect bound (hey, it's printing humor...). But it is a morality story in the tradition of Richard Scary, complete with a full animal crackers cast of characters. (Aug)

You think that the internet is addictive? You ain't seen nothing yet. ***The Surrogates*** is the new five-part graphic novel series dealing with a future where everyone experiences the world from their own home data feed. (Jul)

Alex Robinson, the creator of ***Box Office Poison***, is back with ***Tricked***. Combining the lives of six people brought together by an act of violence, this is is a complex graphic novel by the Eisner Award winning creator. (Aug)

Vanguard Productions

Some of his finest art is reprinted in the pages of ***The Fantastic Art of Arthur Suydam***, including images from Predator, Aliens, and much more. (Aug)

One of the established masters of the comic form has a new series of instructional books coming out soon. ***Steranko Design: Hypertype*** is the first volume that details how he creates his unique style. (Aug)

Viper Comics

The unique stylings of the creator of ***Dead@17*** gets the full spotlight. ***The Art of Josh Howard Volume One*** includes a bevy of new artwork, both color and black and white. (Jul)

When you need revenge, you need to call professionals. ***Karma Incorporated*** is a three-issue series about a group that forms to make other people miserable, without thinking that payback is costly. (Jul-Aug)

Even though reality isn't everything that we think it is, ***The Middleman*** will keep you unaware. Using his wits and a really big gun, ***The Middleman*** protects you from all threats, no matter the source. Keeping your world safe for you. (Jul-Aug)

Viz Media

Sitting in a jail is no way to save the world. But when you have the temper of this young man, and power almost beyond control, you sometimes find yourself on the wrong side of the law. ***JoJo's Bizarre Adventure Volume One*** introduces the man, his mission, and the problems that surround him. (Aug)

Still the king until someone upsets the throne, ***YuGiOh!: Millennium World Volume One*** begins the new series of trade paperback volumes, exploring the story like the cartoon never could. (Jul)

One of the most popular series on Cartoon Network today, ***Zatch Bell*** is the story of a genius and the odd magical companion who joins him. Together with a book of spells, the duo must fight to become king of Zatch's strange world. The first two volumes of ***Zatch Bell*** are being released in the same month. (Aug)

Vonshollywood

Just about every monster that ever made its way to the silver screen makes an appearance in ***Sergeantstein and his Maraudin Monsters***. A tongue in cheek approach to horror, with the Sarge leading the charge. (Aug)

Wilson Place Comics

WJHC Volume Two: Hold Tight! is the second collection of material about the trials and tribulations of running a high-school radio station, and the wacky hi-jinks that ensue. *Joe Staton* supplies the art for this original all-ages graphic novel. (Jul)

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